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REMARKS

This amendment is responsive to the official action dated March 12, 2004.

Claim 1 was pending in the application. Claim 1 was rejected. No claims were allowed by the Examiner.

By way of this amendment, the Applicant has amended the Specification. Claim 1 remains unchanged.

Accordingly, Claims 1 is currently pending.

I. SPECIFICATION

The Examiner stated that the priority claim in the specification needed to be updated to reflect the current status of the claimed application. The Applicant has amended the priority claim to include the patent number.

II. REJECTION OF CLAIM 1 AS DOUBLE PATENTING

The Examiner rejected Cliam 1 under the doctrine of nonstatutory double patenting. Applicant is also the Owner of the cited reference, US Patent No. 6,670,758. Applicant has enclosed a timely Terminal disclaimer and the required fee. Withdrawal of this rejection is respectfully requested.

III. CONCLUSION

Accordingly, claim 1 is believed to be in condition for allowance and the application ready for issue.

Corresponding action is respectfully solicited.

PTO is authorized to charge any additional fees incurred as a result of the filing hereof or credit any overpayment to our account #02-0900.

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